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JAPAN SUGAR INDUSTRY.

DISCRIMINATION IN FAVOUR OF FORMOSAN

The latest returns made, by the Department of Agriculture and Commerce show that the total annual consumption of sugar in Japan, represented by an average over the three years from 1904 to 1906, is 450,000,000 kin, reports the Japan Chronicle. Of this quantity, 85,000,000 is supplied by sugar mills in Japan proper, 100,000,000 kin from the Formosan product, and 265,000,000 kin from foreign sources. Of the imported foreign sugar, 140,000,000 kin represents crude sugar to be refined in Japan, 109,000,000 kin to be used in an unrefined condition, and

16,000,000 kin refined, deducting 24,000,000 kin, the amount re-experted. ! " The Osaka Asahi remarks that the Formosap sugar industry has made marked progress o late, and that the product of the island is now for the most part of fine quality corresponding to from No. 8 to No. 17 according to the Dutch standard of colour, yet the whole product is treated as first quality or crude sugar when imported into Japan, the excise at this low rate being imposed accordingly. This discrimingtion in favour of Formosan sugar has involved the sugar industry in Japan in a very trying position, and at this critical time in the industry comes the disclosure of the irregularities in the Dai Nippon Sugar Befining Company. The question of rescuing the company from the morass into which it has fallen is considered of national importance, as its failure will not only disturb the financial situation, but also affect the Government revenue. In consequence, the Government is much concerned regarding the matter, and now proposes to impose an excise ou Formosan sugar in Strict conformity with the law, withdrawing all discrimination. With this object in view, Mr. Kuroda, a councillor in the Finance Department, has been sent to Formosa to report on the condition of the sugar industry in the island. In the event of the proposal being carried into practice, the Formosan, sugar industry, which is now beginning to prosper after a hard struggle, will, it is believed, suffer a set-back. Business-men connected with the Formosan sugar industry are therefore urging the members of the Diet interested in Formosan augar millstq use their influence with the Government to withdraw the proposal. In the opinion of the augar-refining companies in Japan, the prevention of the influx into Japan of Formosan sugar may serve to restore the Dai Nippon Sugar Refining Company, but some other

place obstacles in the way of the special privilege granted to Formosan sugar. Undoubtedly the Formosan sugar industry has made rapid strides, but if the excise is fairly imposed, the Formosan product will be unable to-cope with the industry in Japan. In view of all the citcumstances it is regarded as probable that the Government will follow one of two courses, -either to continue the existing privilege or to grant a bounty instead, so that in either case those interested in the Formosan sugar industry need not be much concerned. The Osaka Mainichi reports that the For-

measure is required to effect a radical improve-

ment in the sugar industry as a whole. For

this reason, the companies are not disposed to

mosan sugar which began to come in last month has been finding a steady sale, as the price is cheaper and the stock of imported kisarame (a quality of sugar) has dwindled. Already about 23,000 bags have arrived Osaka, but the stock on hand is not more than 3,000 bags. The quotation of the product of the Formosan mill belonging to the Dai Nippun Company is Y13.80 and that of the Oriental mill in Formosa Y13.40 to Y13.50 per picu In these circumstances, the import of kingrame is hopeless as long as Formosau sugar con tinues to come in. In Formosa the season i late this year and with the grop of sugar cane now being refined, the output of sugar in Formosa will show an increase.

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Lord Palmerston, British stateman, Sec. of State for Foreign Affairs when the oplum trouble first became acute.

Mr. W. B. Reed, U. S. Minister to China at the same time.

Dr. Gutzlaff, Medical Missionary, Sicologue, Writer, and Interpreter. And many others, The preliminaries having been satisfactorily disposed of, the Chair was taken by the Emperor, who announced the subject for the day's revelation. (It should be noted that the terms "debate" and "discussion" are not in vogue in Shadowland, where the retison d'etro of lauguage is no longer to conceal but to reveal thought,-ED).

His Imperial Majesty on rising, said :- It is with mixed feelings that I have to inform the meeting that our terrestial relative, friend sand descendants yet remaining "under heaven" are again engaged in discussions regarding the use and abuse of the sleep-bearing plant and its products. In times gone by the question was one which interested but few countries. Now, I gather from the none too luminous reports coming from Terra Obscura, that many countries are engaged in attempts to restrict the use and thus lessen the abuse of that which had begun to cause trouble even in my time there. Thanks to the recently developed means of communication between us and them, it is possible that a revelation from the Enlightened may at least help the Commissioners meeting at Shanghai to know the truth, at any rate, of what has happened hitherto.

I have, therefore, consulted with my friends Palmerston, Reed, Chang and others, and we thought it desirable to call you together in order that we may give our Opaque friends in the Teira Obscura the benefit of our Illumination. (It should be explained here that those on the other side of "The Veil" speak of ourselves as "the Opaque of the Terra Obscura" owing to the difficulty, amounting at times to the impossibility, we have in seeing through each other. - Ed.)

Continuing the Emperor said :- My friend Chang Ting-yu, whose historical knowledge is' the despair of every Celestial student, will outline for us the causes why opidm came to gain such a hold on our own nationals, and that probably will be enough for the present meeting, as the old world saying gees, we have other fish to fry.

Chang Ting-yu :- Brothers of the Illuminati, as I understand the matter, all that we have to do at this gathering is to point out to the Opaque how it came about that China took so disastrously to opium, and why she clings to it now. Surely that is simple. Have we not, many of us, felt in our own proper persons the cason-and-the result !

Lord Palmerston :- We have, we have : some of us through brandy, others through bang, and all, through something. Mutatts mutandis, they're all alike.

Chang Ting-yu.-Quite so. My friend Shakespear says that "All the world's a stage", but he might with equal force have declared that " All the world's a dram shop." Stimulant and narcotic are universal. Tea and tobatco. coffee and cocaine, beer and brandy, it matters not what; all are evidence of the universal craving of humanity for something more than bread and water. Let it not be imagined that the land of my birth is different in this respect from others. Her present stage of development is that from which Europe and America have but recently emerged. If the desire for the artificial vivacity and momentary delight resulting from drugs has lessened in Western lands, and it is an open question, it is because in those lands there have arisen other means of recreation, other amusements, and aids to self-forgetfulness which do not yet exist in China. But we shall come to these in due course."

The first great fact to be remembered, the one great cause why opium so enslaves our people, is that in it they have discovered a sure and speedy means of throwing off for a time the terrible monotony and equal of their exists ence. Hitherto they, have been denizens of the dullest homes, the most depressing surroundings, and the most utter tedium which the nations of the world had ever seen. No entertaining books, no new-papers, no theatres, no intellectuality, no intercourse with educated woman-she didn't exist-nothing but the weariness and boredom of a thrice told tale. Was it any wonder that they succumbed?

Lord Palmersto 1- Did you never drick?

Chang Ting-yu-Ol yes, in times gone by. Our poetry is almost as full of bibulous references as your own. I could quote you scores of such passages. But our drinks were never reductive enough to capture the people as a whole, and even the poets in time gave them up. There is at present evidence, however, that, again with outside help and example, a return thitherwards had begun. Of which more anon.

Lord Palmerston .- When did you first take

to opium? . . Chang Ting-yu.-We had known it more or less for about 1,300 years before you came. Some of our old writers went into rapture over the "drink fit for Buddha" which they got from it. They didn't smoke it then. Smoking came in much later.

Mr. Reed.-There was never any doubt whatever in my mind as to the antiquity of opium in China.

Lord Palmerston,-Indeed | I thought some of your countrymen accused us of introducing

Mr Reed.-They did: Some of them didn't know any better and the rest didn't want to. Chang Ting yu .- The facts are as I have

Dr. Gutzlaff - Probably you were going mention another cause of the popularity opium, its use as an apbrodisiac. Chang Ting-yu - I was. We are a much

matried race; the Chinese ! Dr. Gutziaff-Just so, just so. I discovered

how widespread was this use of the drug when I took my first voyage in a junk from Bangkok to Tientsip. That was early in the thirties. The sights I witnessed then were quite indescribable. I gather that the same conditions still prevail.

Chang Ting.yu,-They do: It is his as much a- anything which brings the drug so much ir to use in high society. The evil is deep rooted, so deep that nothing short of a moral revolution can cradicate it.

H.I.M. Kien Lung.-I think now that we might adjourn. We have a fairly good idea, or tather the Opaque of the Terra Obscura should have a good idea, of the problem which confronts them. The physicians of old were wont to say, If you desire a cure, remove the cause. That is the problem before mankind; of the present day. We have sten why men fly to drugs; it is to escape other evils. Remove those evils and the use of the drug will our next meeting will consider further the allurements which the sleep-bearing demon uses to enslave his votaries .- N. C. D. News.

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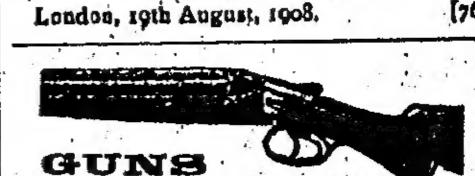
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HONGKONG, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1909

ANOTHER RAILWAY LOAN FOR CHINA.

Provided that no hitch occurs to mar the negotiations which have apparently so far proceeded satisfactorily between the Chinese Govtion, the Agreement to raise a loan of twenty different matter. In dealing with this question, million dollars forthe construction of the Hunan- the China Association in its annual report had will be signed by both parties next week. No- be said that the question of railways in China thing has transpired, according to our recollec- has been continually in the mind of the memtion of the various stages which have marked bers of your Committee. Very little corresthe progress of these negotiations, with regard | pondence has, however, passed concerning it, land exists where formerly there was a sheer to the security which will be required by the as the larger question more immediately affect-British and Chinese Corporation; but the pro- lug the interests of the Colony-the progress prising that it resembles nothing so much as a porary,

bability is that the terms will be somewhat of the Cauton-Hankow line-has not emerged wonderful achievement by some pautomimic similar to those agreed upon when the other into any such practicable shape as to render entrepreneur. Still that solid wall of granite railway undertakings in China which have representation of any avail. Recent events stands between our casual visitor and the seabeen advanced through the good offices of the Indicate that the Chinese Authorities are Curiously enough it does not suggest in the Corporation were being arranged. It may be coming to realise the inadvisability of waiting very slightest the idea of a penitentiary or any remembered that when Mr. William Koswick, until China possesses the capital and engineer- thing of that sort, as the reader, the citizen of chairman of the British and Chinese Corpora- ing skill requisite for the building of the no mean city, might be apt to think. "Rather it tion, addressed a meeting of the shareholders | northern section, and it is to be hoped that | hints at cyclopean forces at work and the mystin London some weeks ago, he expressed the existing rumours of a foreign loan to eries of vulcan are suggested by the clamour of himself far from optimistic with regard to be devoted to that purpose, will, prove true." iron on iron, the hissing of steam, the flash of the immediate future of railway construc. All that the chairman in his address had to say electric lights, the ponderous movements of tion in China, but that did not apply to on this particular aspect of the subject was ; this now practically concluded Agreement. "The difficulties of acquiring land for the Yuch as regards the Hunan - Hupch section. | Han Railway has been overcome with com-Mr. Kerwick said that: "Recent events in parative case. What is it that makes the diffi-China impress the Board as being favourable culties on the Chinese section of the Kowloon to progress and efforts at good government, but line so much more formidable? No wonder if it is too early to form any definite opinion of | in this Colony we ask the question with some the policy under the new regime. Railway impatience." We may let the matter remain building without foreign aid in construction at that for the present, content with the energy. may prove an expensive experience to the shown in arranging a loss for the construction Chinese, in which case it would seem probable of the connecting link of the line which wil that in due course the Corporation's services join Canton and Hankow. may again be called for. The immediate prospects are, however, not so favourable as

we should like to see them, but our re-

presentative is on the alert, and no oppor-

tunity will be lost, and it should be borne

in mind that the Corporation enjoys the great

advantage "of the Hougkong and Shanghai

Bank's support and influence." In commenting

on that speech we remarked; "That Mr. Bland

is on the alert is proved by the fact that as

Agreement is on the point of being signed be-

tween the Corporation and the Chinese Gov-

erament for the raising of a loan of £2,000,000

in connection with the Huban-Hupeh section

of the Capton-Hankow railway; while negotia-

tions are proceeding with reference to the

floating of a British loan to be devoted to-

wards the construction of the railway through

the provinces of Kwangtung and Kwangsi.

While we held the belief that the diplomacy of

Mr. J. O. P. Bland would succeed in leading

the Chinese Government to recognise, the fact

that if the Cinton-Hankow railway was ever to

be completed it must be with the assistance of

a British loan, we were not unduly sanguine

that the necessary arrangements towards this

end would reach an amicable settlement within

so short a period. Everybody with the least pre-

tension to knowledge of Chinese affairs knows

how expert, and adroit the average Chinese

official proves to be in the matter of manufac-

turing teasons for delay, and no sooner is one

reason shattered than another equally intan-

gible pretext is found to postpone the inevitable.

But it is evident that on this occasion at least

the Chinese Government realising the bonn-fide

intentions of the British and Chinese Govern-

ment have interposed comparatively few

obstacles against the successful termination of

the negotiation's. Indeed the main objections,

which were latent rather than active, came

from those purse proud, opinionated, autiquated

old fassils who, having retired from public

service to the peaceful seclusion of Hupeh, saw

no reason why their ancient ideals should

be disturbed by the introduction of nodern

methods of transport. They firmly refused to

subscribe a copper cash towards the construc-

tion of the line, believing in their simplicity

that thereby they were effectually giving the

scheme its quictus; and it can be imagined with

what distress and dismay they will regard the

action of the Chinese Government in ignoring

their passivity in going straight shead as it

these country gentlemen did not exist. Every

country has its share of these retired magnates

who declare that the land is going to the dogs

when they find that the advancement of modern

science threatens; intrusion upon their self-

imposed retreat, but China is probably richer

in that species of antediluvian animal than any

other. So long as they are allowed to remain en-

compassed in their own grandeur they are re-

garded by the peasantry as demi-gods, but when

strangers arrive on the scene prepared to flout

the pretensions of the great and ridicule their

petty conceit and egotism, then, indeed, the

fear of the iconoclast becomes a realised fact.

and they are no longer the salt of the earth.

Now that the signing of the Agreement with re-

ference to the two millions sterling loan is to

all idents and purposes an accomplished fact.

we have to look forward to the time when the

Chinese in Kwangtung and Kwangsi will come

to some arrangement whereby the work of

pushing on the work of building the railway

through those rich and fertile provinces

made of the proposition that the Chinese, on

the suggestion of His Excellency Chang Chih-

tung, should borrow £5,000,000 through the

agency of the British and Chinese Corporation,

with the object of completing the railway which

has from its inception been one of the pet

schemes of the venerable Grand Councillor.

But whether the free and independent people of

South China would consent to accept outside

be stimulated. Mention has been

THE GENESIS OF A CITY. For many residents in Hongkong a trip to Shau-ki-wan is regarded as something in the nature of an excursion to the South Sea Islands. That there is such a place on the island they are well aware from hearsay and because it is rumoured that the tramcars run to that benighted spot, where there is nothing to be seen but huge processions of begrimed coolies and a plethora of smoke-stacks marking the activity of the sugar refinery. Once upon a while they might be induced to pay an occasional visit to the Bellevue Hotel in order to pass a quiet afternoon, but since, that liestelry has closed down and there is no rendezvous nearer than the ricketty inn at Shau-ki-war they prefer to cool their heels in the city or at the utmost make a flying trip to Kowloon. As a matter of fact, nobody who has not seen that hive of industry, Shau-ki-wan, during the last few months can have any conception of the vast changes that have been quietly and unostentatiously taking place there. It is undoubtedly a wonderful transformation that has been brought about through the enterprise and wide vision of the princely house of Butterfield &9 wire. It is no misuse of language to say that what was formerly a mere collection of shacks and tumble-down shauties which would not have dignified a hamlet is now being rapidly corverted into a miniature city." Indeed, as presentappearances go, it would not be surprising to find that, at no very distant date, the capital of the Colony will have to take a back seat in respect of both Kowloon and Shau-ki-wan Prosperity abounds, a fact evidenced by the cheerful faces of the coolies and the pervading sense of successful achievements, and, beyond all, by the massive, commodious and modern tenements which have been erected and are in the course of erection for the use and convenience of the labouring and mercantile classes, whose duties and business compel them to reporting the matter. " make a home and habitation in that part of the Colony. Workmen's dwellings are one of the features of all modern municipal legislation at home, and perhaps one of these days workmeu's dwellings will become an accomplished fact there; but here in Hongkong we have the real article, built without outside suggestion or aid, and the very look of these new houses stands warranty for the general excellence of their arrangements. Probably it is this circumstance, the comfort and satisfaction of the tenants, who have risen above the rank of mere hewers of wood and carriers of coal dust to the position of recognised workmen that makes the rising city of Shau-ki-wan such a self-interested and self-reliant centre. Apparently the people there have no thought of visiting Victoria except on special occasions, and When the confederates proceeded to open the apparently they have no need to do so if they are inclined to remain within the wide territory. of their own demesne. Suspicions are not awakened as to the new order of things that have arisen until the lefty chimneys of Taikon come into sight. The casual visitor is prepared to glance supercitiously at the great dock built by Messis. Butterfield and Swire, and to wonder lazily if these works are ever to be finished when, on suddenly turning a corner, it is discovered that all the litter of cement blocks and idle machinery lying aimlessly all over the place has given place to ordered discipline and array. In fact, the visitor who hoped or expected to act the part of the superior city resid- ing of the concession on the same lines as ent is dumfounded, because unless he cranes his neck and crawls upon the roof the tramcar it is probable that he will see nothing whatever of the works proceeding in connection with the new system of docks. The roadway has been changed, the view is metamorphosed; the old landmarks are gone; desolation has become smiling abundance; a siding has become a railway. junction, ernment and the British and Chinese Corpora- assistance, not to say interference, is a totally a cluster of huts a manufacturing centre. Right away from the refinery the outer roadway is lined by a high wall of granite blocks, Hupeh section of the Canton-Hankow railway | thefollowing remarks to make; " It need hardly | topped with broken glass so that none except the elect may enter. As for the roadway itself,

it has been widened on both sides of the old

descent ibto the unknown, It is all so sur-

car line, the mountains have receded and solid

great bodies at work." But it is the queer aspect of the road, that old narrow pathway most of which used to be occupied by the tramway rails, that will strike the visitor. All the time one is in a flutter of expectation regarding the route to be taken, for it is evident that the line is to be changed and already a new route is foreshadowed by the rails which are being la d down, Gullies have been raised to the level of the road, and a line of rails awaiting the advent of the cars lie buried at right angles almost to the old corving track. Handsome houses exist where formerly noisome swamps affected the olefactory organs, and there is a sense of life and vigour about it all which calls for amazement that so much should have been achieved in so short a space of time. No wonder that the Chinese workmen look contented and prosperous. No wonder that the sampans which used to be the sole living feature of the landscape against the background of sullen hills and placid water seem anachronistic. No one who has not visited the place will understand what the great firm, of Butterfield & Swire, of their own initiative and at their own expense, have done at Shau-ki-wau. It is worth apyone's while to mark the genesis of a coming city and those who take an interest in these things will be well rewarded by a visit to what may fittingly he termed the promised

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

COMMANDER John G. Heugh, R.N., D.8.0: (Peking) has been elected a fellow of the Royal Colonial Institute.

THE Gazette announces that the King has been pleased to approve of Konrad Ritter von Wieser, as Consul of Austria-Hungary at Hongkong.

THE following appointment has been approved by the Admiralty :-- Mr. H. J. Quick, inspector of electric fitters, Hongkong, to a similar position at Chatham Dockyard.

WITH reference to the Calabrian earthquake H.E. Tuan Fang, Viceroy at Nanking, has consulted his brother Viceroys and Governors in the coast and riverine provinces with a view to raising contributions for the relief of the sufferers, and, as a result; Tis. 42,000 and \$30,000 in all have been subscribed. This sum has been forwarded to the Italian Consul at Shanghai for remittance and a telegram has been sent to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

THE Japanese Diet reassembled on January 2r. Marquis Katsura, the Premier, in introduc--ing-the Budget-for-the-42nd-year-of-Meiji, in the House of Representatives, said, that the ordinary revenue was estimated at Yen 470,667,970 and the extraordinary revenue at Yen 45,532,825, making a total of Yen 516,200,795. The estimated total expenditure was Yen 516,200,795, which comprised an ordinary expanditure of Yen 400,912,102 and an extraordinary expenditure of Yen 115,288,693.

A RESIDENT in a Paris suburb, who was a victim of the confidence trick recently, has had an ingenious revenge. Recognising at the Saint Lazare Station the other day the confederates who had victimised him, he assumed an innocent air, and allowed himself to be ficeced, in an identical menner, a second time, stolen purse a violent explosion occurred, the owner having placed in it a cartridge of fulminate of mercury. The holder fell down, badly burned about the face and hands, and is now in the infirmary.

LORD Li Ching-lang, Chinese Minister i London, has telegraphed to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs informing them that he has, or several occasions, discussed the annulment of the Tungkuanshan Mining concession with Sir John Lister Kaye, who firmly resists the demand, and that the matter is becoming urgent. The Ministry has telegraphed to the Viceroy at Nanking and the Governor of Anhui that it proposes to alter the contract for the joint workthose of the Lincheng coal mine in Chihli, by which; the necessary land should be purchased by the officials and shares offered to the public to the full amount of its value.

THE Admiralty announce the following anpointments ; - Lieutenants - D, Maxwell, to the Alacrity, R. D. B. Haddon, to the King Alfred, II. R. James, to the Clio, A. E. P. Lyons, to the Hawks, additional, for voyage out, and to the King Alfred, and Virage, on recommissioning ; B. J. D. Guy, v.c., to the Tamar, for the Handy, in command, C. A. Fremantle, to the Tamar, for the Janus, in command, and J. Kiddle, to the Tamar, for the Whiting, in command, all additional, on recommissioning undated; and H. S. Monroe, to the Hawke, and to the Tamar, additional, for the Hart, in command, undated. Commander E. Stevenson is reappointed, on recommissioning, to the Tamar, additional, for the Virago, in command, temCANTON DAY BY DAY.

CANTON-KOWLOON RATLWAY. [From Our Own Correspondent]

Canton, 3rd February. Taotai Wei Han left here yesterday to proceed to Shek Lung to inquire into the progress of the work on the construction of the Canton-Kowloon Railway, Chinese section.

CONSULAR VISIT. Yesterday morning H. E. the Viceroy recoived the British Vice-Consul at Canton.

THE FLOWER-BOATS CATASTROPHE. A number of sampans, engaged by the dit ferent charitable institutions and private parties were still busily at work yesterday at Tai-shatau recovering dead bodies. Up to yesterday alternoon, the total number of corpses recovered is not less than five hundred; most of them have been claimed by the relatives of the deceased. It is learnt from the boat people that many still remain to be picked up.

It will be remembered that, in July last, the fleet of flower-boats in Canton harbour, was almost entirely swept away by the disas trous typhoon. H.E. Viceroy Chang Jen Chun, availing himself of the opportunity, issued a prohibition against the boat people re-constructing their crafts and resuming business on these bonts as heretofore. On account, however, of lives, and through the strong recommendation again the flower boats to the number of over forty have been destroyed by fire, and Viceroy Chang will certainly enforce his former orders, and it is questionable if the boat people will be permitted to resume their business under any circumstance.

THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED

ANNUAL REPORT.

and Mrs. F. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. The twentieth report of the board of directors to the ordinary meeting of shareholders to b held at the company's office, Victoria Buildings at noon on Tuesday, the 9th inst, is as fol

Gentlemen,-The directors now submit you a statement of the affairs of the company and balance sheet for the year ending 31st Da cember, 1908.

The balance of profit and loss account for th year, including \$653.06 balance brought forward from last account, after writing off all charges and expenses, amount to \$9,828.90. The direc tors therefore recommend that a dividend of \$1.50 per share, be paid, which, after writing off the directors' and auditors' fees, will leave balance of \$178.90 to be carried forward to the credit of a new profit and loss account.

Mr. H. Pinckney having retired, Ron. M. Murray Stewart was appointed in his stead Hon. Mr. Murray Stewart having resigned, Mr. J. M. E. Machado was appointed in his stead. These appointments now require confirmation. tiers by rotation, but off themselves for re-elec- Mr. H. Hunter, Mrs. T. Hughes, Mr. Manson.

The accounts have been audited by Mr. Cox-Edwards who now retires, but offers himself for re-election.

T. F. HOUGH, Chairman,

Hongkong, 27th January, 1900.

BALANCE SHEET 31ST DECEMBER, 1998. December 31, 1908.

Accounts piyable.....

Dividends outstanding Balance of profit and loss account... , 9.828 9 \$190,346.73 December 37, 1908.

Accounts receivable.....

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

December 31st, 1908." To Charges \$ 8:0.99 Repairs Fire insurance...... Crown rout Commission to agents Balance to be appropriated as follows:-

Directors' fees ... \$ 500.00 Auditors' fees ... Dividend of \$1.50 per share 9,000.00 To be carried to new

profit and loss p/c... 278.90

\$15,892,14

Jan, 1st Dec. 31st 1908, --By Undivided profits 1907 5 653.06 By Rent 15,167.96 By Interest' By Scrip fees ... \$15,892.14

WE are favoured by Messrs. Shewan, Tomes & Co., the local agents, with a wall calendar from the Brocklebank Line of steamers.

CAPTAIN R. F. Boyle, R.M L.I., has been appointed as Intelligence Officer at Singapore, piot Captain H. A. H. Jones, R.M.L.I.

MACAO'S D APPOINTMENT OF L From Our O

For some time past and on sever occasions the Chinese officials have been anxious to negotiate with the Government of the Portuguese Colony of Macao with a view to clearly define the boundary lines between that Colony and Chinese territory. Accordingly, a map has been forwarded to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs at Peking showing the limits of the foreign settlement, for the Board's information, His now reported that H.E. Ko Yu Him has been appointed by the Imperial Government with instructions to conduct negotiations in connection with the delimitation of Macao.

> HONGKONG BANKER'S MARRIAGE.

STABB-TOWNSEND.

At St. Paul's, Knightsbridge, on 5th ult., the marriage was solemnised of Mr. Newton J. Stabb, of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Hongkong, and Miss Ethel Mary Townsend, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Townsend, of Wellington Court, Knights. bridge. The Rev. Canon Walpole, D.D., Rector of Lambeth, officiated at the ceremony, assisted the numerous petitions received from the boat by the Rev. H. Hughes, of St. Paul's, Knights." people describing the pitiable condition of their bridge. There was a large and fashionable congregation. The bride was excerted to the of the Water Police Authorities, the Viceroy | church by her father, who gave her away, . She reluctantly rescinded his order and ultimately wore a dress of white satin, trimmed with Brusgranted the prayers of the petitioners. Now sels lace and a long tulle veil. Miss Edith Greive acted as maid of honour, and there were four bridesmaids-Miss Hettie Tomes, Miss Blanche Feilden, Miss Kuthleen Moxon, and Miss Susan Addis. The best man was Mr. H. Hunter, of Shanghai. A reception was afterwards held at the Hyde Park Hotel, which, was numerously attended by a large circle of friends, including many who were unable to be at the church. The presents, which were not exhibited, were very numerous and costly." Amongst those invited in the Eastern world, and most of whom were present, were :-

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Addis, Mrs. Ambold, Mr.

Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Angier, Mr. and Mrs. S. Blackwell, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Blackwell, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Blackwell, Mrs. Robert Blackwell, Mrs. F. D. Barnes, Mr. Bigsley, Mr. and Mrs. Brent, Mr. and Mrs. Bayne, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bowring, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bowring, Mr. and Mrs. Byron Brenau, Mr. Burmau, Mr. and Mrs. Butt, Mr. Balloch, Mr. A. M. Bruce, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce-Robertson, Mr. Boyd, Mr. Bearley, Mr. and Mrs. Cockburn, Mr. and Mrs. Cautherley, Mr. and Mrs. Gruickshank, Mr. Coombes, Mr. and Mrs. Cartwright, Mr. and Mrs. Cautlie, Mr. and Mrs. D'iffanger, Mr. and Miss Dodwell, Sir Alfred and Lady Dent, Sir Charles and Lady-Dudgeon, Mr. and Mrs. James Dodds, Mrs. Ernest Deacon, Mrs. Forrest, Mrs. J. Frasor, Major and Mrs. Feilden, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Franklin, Mr. and Mrs. J. Howard Gwyther, Professor and Mrs. Giles, Mr. and Mrs. James Greig, Mr. Garfitt, Mr. and Mrs. Hippesley; Miss Hannen, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Heimano, Mr. A. Hickling, Mr. W. Harwood, Mr. and Mrs. H., Harwood, Dr. and Mrs. Mesars, A. Rodger and J. M. E. Machado re- Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. Villiers C. Hawkins. Mr. and Mrs. Higson, Sir Robert and Lady Hart, Dr. and Mrs. Hartigan, Dr. and Mrs. Johnston, Sir Thos. and Lady Jackson, Mr H; H. Joseph, Mr. George Jamieson, Mr. and Mrs. Job, Mr. and Mrs. James, Mr. and Mrs. James. Keswick, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Keswick, junt, Mrs. and the Misses Knapp, Major and Mrs. Knapp, Mr. H. Kopsch, Mr. and Mrs. J. Kerr. Mr. and Mrs. Seaton King, Major and Mrs. Lindsay Lloyd, Mr. Caleb Lewis, Dr. and Mrs. Lowson, Mr. and Mrs. Layton, Mr. and Mrs. Looker, Mr. F. Mayers, Mr. and Mrs. Mackwan Cunp, Mr. and Mrs. MacEwen, Mr. and Mrs. . S. Mackiutosh, Mr. and Mrs. Foot-Mitchell. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Morrist, Mr and Mrs. C. W. May, Major and Mrs. Market, Mr. and Mrs. Martelli, Sir John and Ludy McLeavy Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Moxon, Mr. and Mrs. J. Miller, Mr. Medhurst, Mr. and Mrs. H. Nelson, Mrs. Noble, Miss Noble, Mr and Mrs. Nugent, Mr. and Mrs. Nicholson, Mr. and Mrs. Parker Ness, Mr. and Mrs. Probst, Lady and Miss Pauncefote, Mr. and Mrs. Potts, Mr. W. Reid, Mr. and Mrs. John P. Reid, Mrs. Ram, Mr. Rutter, Mr. L. A. Richard, Mr. and Miss Strachan, Mr. and Mrs. Shand, Mr. and Mrs. Getshom Stewart, Dr. Stabb. Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Stokes, Mr. and Mrs. Stitt, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Saunders, Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Slade, Mr. and Mrs. de Bernic e Smith, Mr. Sanders; Mr. and Mrs. Tomes, Mr. and Mrs. Tatsume, Sir Montague and Lady Turner, Mr. George Veitch, Mr. T. H. Whitehead, Mr. and Mrs. Whalley, Mrs. Wetmore, Mr. and Mrs. W. Walter, Sir Hiram Wilkinson, Mrs. A. P. Wood, Mr. A. G. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Watanabe, Mr. and Mrs. Youd, Mr. and the Misses J. Walter, Mr. and Mrs. Yamuza, Mr. and Mrs. Yamagiya, Mr. Nishimaki. H. E. Lord Li Ching-fong and H. E. Wang Tah-sieh were upavoidably absent owing to mourning for the recent Imperial Chinese deaths.

9.828.90. DR. Peter Quincey, third son of Mr. William. Quincey, (formerly Inspector of Police for the Native City and a well-known resident of Shanghai and at present Superintendent of the Governor's Police at Chinaufu) has been appointed Resident Surgeon at the new hospital on the Chinese Bund, Shanghai, Dr. Onincey is a graduate of the Hongkong Medical College and was formerly Health Officer of the Sanitary Department at Chinanfu, Mr. William Quincey himself is at present in Shanghai on three months' leave of absence from Chinanfo. 'He has had strong inducements held out to him to join the Taotal's police here, but he feels that after 39 years' unbroken police service he is justified in refusing to take the field unless the Taotal gives him a free hand to reorganize the force,-- Shangkal Mere

Telegrams.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

CHINESE NATIONAL BONDS.

PROPOSED ISSUE.

[By courtery of the" Sheung Po.")

Peking, 3rd February. It was proposed by the Ministry of Posts and Communications to issue national bonds at an early date.

The scheme has been deferred owing to representations by the Board of Revenue.

CHIHLI PROVINCE.

TLS. 4,000,000 SAVING.

[By courtesy of the " Sheung Po."]

Peling, 3rd February.

The retrenchment effected in the cost of cadministration in Chihli Province implies a saving of over four million trels a year.

YUAN SHIH-KAI.

PROPOSES TO TOUR ABROAD.

[By courtery of the" Sheung Po."]

Peking, 3rd February.

Yuan Shih-kai has expressed his intention of proceeding abroad on a tour in the second

He cabled his plan in consultation with the President of a certain Ministry, who strongly advises him not to carry his idea into effect.

YUAN HAK-TENG.

RESIGNATION CONTEMPLATED.

[By courtery of the" Sheung Po!"]

Peking, 3rd February.

Yuan Hak-teng, son of Yuan Shih-kai, is determined to resign.

THE OPIUM QUESTION.

The Si cretary of the Society for the Suppresthe Representative Board of British Antitinues:- Western, civilisation cannot but sympathise profoundly with China in her ting and demoralising stourge. The European pations having colonies or protectorates in the East cannot evade the duty of keeping pace with China. We trust that they will not content themselves, with this, but regard them-"selves as bound in honour to set the example of speedy and effective prohibition."

During the period of prohibited exports stores of opium have been accumulating at Bombay. Some-relief has been experienced by the sailing of the P. and O. steamer Devanks for China. It is believed she carries one of the biggest, if not the biggest, shipment ever made, estimated to be of the value of as much as £800,000.

SHIPPING AND MAILS

MAILS DUE, American (Stberta) 5th inst. American (Nippon Maru) 6th inst. Indian (Latsang) 8th inst. German (Prinness Alice) 12th inst. American (China) 14th inst. Canadian (Monteugle) 14th inst ... Canadian (Empress of India) 17th inst.

The O. & O. S. S. Co.'s s.s. China sails from . Yokohama on 5th inst., and is due to arrive at this port via Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai'on rath inst.

NEW crews for the China destroyers and half crews for the China gunboats, and for the Tamor embarked in the Hawke, cruiser, Capt. H. D. Wilkip, DS.O., at Portsmouth on 6th ult, and the vessel left on 9th for Hongkong and Shangbai.

Royal Yacht Squadron, and a keen sportsman, who has owned in all nine sailing yachts, is the all the powers, rights and priveleges which are latest convert to auxiliary motor power. He now exercised or enjoyed by him, except where has purchased the handsome schooner Verd, of this Ordinance otherwise specially provides." 183 tons, and to his order, Summers and Payne, The subsequent Receaf Ordinance to of 1891. Limited, of Southampton, have installed on (bankruptcy) and 6 of 1901, (civil procedure). board of her. a pair of four cylinder 30 h.p. preserve rights and privileges, etc., jurisdiction Kelvin motors, driving Bergius folding propel- 'or principle, etc., created by the ordinances' lers, The engines start on petrol. Inside five | severally repealed. The argument is this-that minutes paraffin is switched on, and the motors thereafter run with the regularity and flexibility which are characteristic of Kelvin productions. The space occupied by the machinery this jurisdiction by 3 of 1858 the distinction for is between the ladies' cabin and the sail room, and by a careful rearrangement of the accom- Common Law is abolished; therefore the Court modetion, the original number of cabins and in bankruptcy has equity jurisdiction and there-Buer Canal, and it is expected that the motors | ties, etc.," which it already has. It seems to language this must mean to decide the ques-

ALLANA'S BANKRUPICY.

CHIEF JUSTICE'S DECISION.

The Chief Justice delivered this morning lengthy and somewhat interesting judgment is connection with the affairs of Mr. S. E. Allana, formerly doing business as a draper in D'Aguilar Street. It may be remembered that on the 4th of December last, Mr. J. Boott Harston appeared in support of a petition for the consulidation of two Receiving Orders. Mr. Hastings (for the debtor) objected to this as a Receiving Order had already been filed against his client and submitted that the Court had no power to consolidate the two, Receiving

Orders. A petition was presented by the debior against himself and another was presented by the petitioning creditor. It was eventually decided to consolidate the orders. This morning, the Chief Justice held that the Judge had jurisdiction to contertain the petition. He said :-- A motion has been made in this case which is practically to set aside an assignment made by the bankrupt Allana of his business to Marican, for certain reasons which are set out in the notice of motion. I say practically to set aside because I am not quite sure that the motion may not require some amendment but a preliminary objection was taken by Mr. Hastings on behalt of the purchaser of the business, that this Court sitting in bankruptcy has no jurisdiction to entertain such a motion, and this question was argued on the basis that the motion was as have described it. The object stated shortly this; that this is a question which concerns a stranger to the bankruptcy: that the Court of Bankruptcy at home has jurisdiction to decide such a question only in virtue of section 102 of the Brukruptcy Actol 1883: that that section has not been introduced into the Colonial Ordin. ance No. 7 of 189; which is otherwise based on the English Act, and that therefore this Court being the bankruptcy side of the Supreme Court, has no jurisdiction. The problem thus raised is one which I have had the greatest difficulty in solving. Section 102 of the Home Act gives certain power to the Banksuprey Court, which is to decide all questions of priorities, and all other questions of law and fact which may arise in any case of bankruptcy, of which it may deem it necessary or expedient to decide for the purpose of doing complete justice or making a complete distribution of property. This section has been omitted from the Hongkong Ordinance for reasons which are not apparent, and I do not think I have the right to inquire allund, as from the explanatory report made by the, Attorney-General of the time what the reasons were which induced him to omit it But I must seek for the reasons as best I may. He cannot have thought it superfluous, because no Law Officer in a Colony would take upon himself the great responsibility of so deciding with regard to an important section of such a piece of legislation. But he may have thought it unnecessary in this . Colony having sion of the Opium Trade, with the approval of special regard to the constitution of the Supreme Court of the Colony and this is the Opium Societies, has sent a letter to the contention advanced by. Mr. Harston in sup-Foreign Ministers of the countries taking part port of the motion. Now it has been assumed in the International Commission to be held at throughout the argument that the object Shanghai next month. After recapitulating the of section tot which was section 72 history of the opium question, and the mea- of the Act of 1869 is the only section sures which have been adopted in various parts, which confers jurisdiction on the Court of of the world for its solution, the letter con- Bankruptcy against strangers. This is cer tainly not said in so many words, but it does seem as if there is a consensus of opinion-that supreme effort to free herself from this energy the its object, that is, to give the Bankruptcy Court jutisdiction to decide questions affecting strangers to the bankruptcy which would other wise be decided by the other Court. Now whatever may be said as to the personal jurisdiction of the judges in England the different jurisdictions of the Supreme Court are well defined, but here everything is vested in the Chief Justice. The Puisne Judge has a co-

> Common Law in equity and in bankruptcy, and the Attorocy-General of the-time may have said" what is the use of saying that the Chiel Justice may do one day in bankruptcy what he may do the next day in the same court, with the same staff, in Original Jurisdiction?" I do not say that the reasoning is satisfactory and had I been drafting the Ordinance I should not have omitted this section because it is desirable to preserve in the Colonial Courts the form as far as possible of the Courts at

the purpose of jurisdiction between equity and

provision which preserves here the lines of demargation of the several jurisdictions of the English Courts. Mr. Harston's most ingenious argument in brief is this-By section 4 of the Repeal Ordinance No. 3 of 1858, which dealt with the constitution of the Supreme Court, it is provided that it shall not be necessary to bring

any proceeding on the equity side of the Court for the purpose of bringing to another Court any equitable claim, defence or question incident or collateral or arising out of any probut every such claim may be heard on petition .

CAPTAIN A. M. B. Gage, a member of the

ordinate jurisdiction, but for all practical purposes the Chief Justice is the Justice at I should have to satisfy myself that there is no or motion instituted in such, last mentioned 1864, the old Bankruptcy Ordinance, it was provided that the Supreme Court "shall have jurisdiction in bankruptcy; and the Chief Justice when sitting in bankruptcy shall have home) the trustee must take possession of the bankrupt's property, and he may apply to the Court not merely to enforce his acquisition, the Court of Bankruptcy by 5 of 1864 has the but also to enforce his retention of it.' Now, if same powers, rights and privileges as the Suthe trustee goes into possession of a business, prome Court in its Original Jurisdiction and in

difference can it make if the person , who holds the Attorney-General when drafting the the security is not a creditor? It is perfectly Bankruptcy Ordinance in 1891, but I hezitate true that a secured creditor may under section to adopt it, because 5 of 1864 refers to 30 of the Colonial Ordinance, which is based the "Chief Justice sitting in bankruptcy," on the bankruptcy rules at home, and not on a and it seems to me that the "powsection of the Act, realise his security and prove ers, rights and privileges, "which are confor the balance of his claim; but until he does ferred upon him when he is sitting in bank this he rests on his security, and stands outside tuptcy are those personal privileges enjoyed the bankuptcy, and is just as much by a judge at Common Law, as, for example, the stranger to it as a person in the position of powers to commit for contempt, and from my Mr. Marican who had bought the business, experience in drafting I know that it is neces-Now let us see what the position is. I send sary in order to remove doubts to confer these the trustee into possession, as if he were a reold Common Law privileges on a judge when ceiver of the bankrupt's property; I will assume he is sitting in a newly-created jurisdiction. that the trustee knows nothing of what has express this opinion in order to show that taken place between the bankrupt and Marican, I have not, overlooked Mr. Harston's argubut knows only that the business has been carment. I am not positive whether it is the ried on by the bankrupt. Then Mr. Marican, answer to it but in view of the opinion finding the trustee in possession, wants to have bave formed on the question looked at the rights which he alleges he has, protected. from another point of view it is not neces-That he may bring an action at Common Law sary for me to decide the point definitely. I have no doubt; but may he not also come to I must now look at section toz a little more me, sitting in bankruptcy, and say " your orderclosely, and see whether what I am asked to sending the trustee into possession is wrong; do in this case does fall within the inherent the business belongs not to the bankrupt, but jurisdiction of the Court to carry out the Bankto me, because I have a deed of assignment ": rupicy Ordinance, with the administration of surely he may, and this without it being neceswhich it is charged. Ellis v. Silber was much sary to find special authority in the act, li relied on by Mr. Hastings, but all it decides is then, I have jurisdiction to entertain such an that the jurisdiction conferred on the Bankapplication, I must also nave jurisdiction to ruptcy Court by section 102 is not an exclusive enforce the acquisition and retention of this jurisdiction; and that if proceedings are being property on the application of the trustee, for taken in the Court of Common Law or Equity; the question to be decided is precisely the it cannot be said by virtue of this section that same in both cases : is this business the bankthey ought to have been brought in bankruptcy. supt's property, or has he made a valid as-On the other hand it is undoubtedly the fact signment of it to the person who alleges that he that in all the cases either this section or its is the true owner? And if the right of the predecessor, section 72 of the Act of 1860, is trustee is challenged in any other way, as in referred to. But the contention in this case is this case, by the person alleging himself to be that the effect of section toz is to create all the owner, setting up his right, by proclaimthe jurisdiction which is necessary to the Banking its existence in Court or in any ruptcy Court to deal with a question whenever other way which would prevent the a stranger is affected. Now, the first thing trustee acting without bringing the question which strikes one on looking at the section, i. before the Court, it is inevitable that I must the reference to "priorities." 'It says that every have jurisdiction to decide the question of right Court having jurisdiction in Bankruptcy under involved, because it is precisely the same as it the Act, is to have full power to decide all the simpler cases I have supposed. I therefore questions of priorities. Pausing there for a am of opinion that I have jurisdiction to entermoment, certain priorities over other debts in tain this motion. One thing further should be respect of a certain class of debts-rates, wages said: that even supposing the argument on etc.—are created by section 31 of the Ordiwhich my opinion is based is wrong, I am very nance, which is to all intents and purposes the strongly of opinion that Mr. Marican is not a same provision as sections and 2 of the Act stranger to the bankruptcy. The facts are of 1888, which is added to section 40 of the Act simply these: the assignment was made on of 1883. Now, as these priorities, which rank and Nove aber, the petition in bankruptcy was among themselves pari passu, are determined filed on, the 3rd, and the only assets are the by the Act "itself, it seems clear that they are proceeds of the sale—the purchase price \$400 not the priorities referred to in section 102a month for a certain period. It would require We must therefore go back to section 9 (2) a very great deal to convince me that the which is section to (2) of our Ordinance. That purchase was not made by Marican with a view clause provides that the provisions of the section to banktupley proceedings, and still more to which deal with the effect of a Receiving Order, induce me to hold that this did not amount to are not to affect the power of a secured credia submission to the Bankruptcy Court sufficient tor to realise or otherwise deal with his secuto give jurisdiction to deal with the assignment. tity. It is obvious that questions of priority The preliminary objection being decided-in may arise among the secured creditors; and as favour of the petitioning creditor, he must have they lie outside the bankruptcy, unless they the costs of the day in any event when the are brought in by the creditors themselves, the costs af the motion come to taxation. Court of Bankruptcy could have no power of dealing with such questions. Power is given to the Court at home by section 102, to settle ALEXANDRA CINEMATOGRAPH. these priorities, and hence I, think must have arisen the idea that the section confers a power on the Court to determine questions affecting strangers; for secured ecreditors, unless they come in, are accurately described as strangers

There can be little doubt as to the success of the Alexandra Cinematograph in Zetland to the bankruptcy; and therefore, by section Street. Last night it attracted a considerable 102 the Court has power to decide the priorities of these creditors among themselves. I sudience, who were not restricted to the hoi polloj, but attracted an honourable member o am not sure that this does not furnish an answer to the question which has been raised as the Legislative Council, a local magistrate, to the jurisdiction of this Court subject to what barrister and several other more or less im-I have already said, I should have thought it | portant dignatories, who sat through the enterclear that the Chief Justice sitting in bankruptcy | tainment from beginning to end. That in itcould not decide questions of priorities among self should prove the excellence and character secured creditors in the absence of a provision of the exhibition which has every right to resembling section 102. I think therefore that claim for itself the distinction of being the prethe omission of such a provision must have mier show of its kind in Hongkong. The been deliberate. I shall have to consider the films, as usual, were of a most varied descripeffect of section 30 of the Ordinance which retion, combining comedy with pathos, and novelty with absurdity. What amused the fers to secured creditors, presently. I think average spectator was the extraordinary that this relieves me of the necessity of considering whether the remaining words of this amount of kissing, of all things, that the part of section 102-"and all other questions "actors" indulged in. Everything that came whatsoever whether of law or fact"-are to be along had to be kissed by somebody or something. 'An erratic individual-would get on his governed by the ejustlem generis tule, for if one part of the section was deliberately omitted all knees and kiss a poodle, just to show there was of it must be treated as omitted. But one no bad feeling; then he would kiss a passing thing is quite clear-that the jurisdiction constranger because the latter had glared at ferred by section roz is additional to the normal him; an itinerant mountebank would find himfurisdiction of the Bankruptcy Court-the secsolf assaulted in an osculatory embrace because tion itself begins "subject to the provisions of he happened to be in the way; if a policeman this act"-and it is here that I think I have happened along he was also kissed and as for Home. But in order to adopt this reasoning lighted upon the weak spot in Mr. Hastings! the kissing of ladies we thank providence that able argument. Granted that section 102 our early days were not spent in kiss-land. The confers a special power to deal with quesdoffing of hats and the bending on one knee, or tions affecting strangers, and without going both if necessary, were comparative trifles, but to the extreme of saying that this means if anybody suggests that these paople do not questions arising between strangers (because put in an ordinary day's toil simply because although in the absence of the authorities they do not actually work the pictures should be strongly inclined to think it did, in at the Alexandra will give them the the presence of those authorities I can hardly lie direct. It is impossible to say which do so) 'it does not follow that all questions was the best of the living pictures thrown on affecting strangers are dealt with solely under the screen, but we should say that the series section 102, For this is this question which showing the process which has to be gone through before the ordinary bottle of chammust frequently arise -and looking at the cases ceeding on any other side of the said Court, quoted in the books under section 9 I should pagne arrives on the table is the most astonishing say has frequently arisen-Is the creditor who of the lot. No wonder that champagne is ,expensive. But all the films are good and there says he is secured really secured? If the proceeding. By section 4 of Ordinance, 5 of Bankruptcy Court cannot decide this question, but must, as it is contended, always remit the decision of it to another Court, endless litigation would result, with endless costs, and the true functions of the Court of Bankruptcy would disappear. It seems to me impossible to conlike. To-night there is another complete tend that if a creditor says he is secured change of programme, which we will not dethe Court cannot decide whether he is setail. The manager, Mr. Frerichs, states that cured. I think that the Court has power next week one of the best films yet shown, extending to a thousand metres, will be prounder section 43 to decide the question, for under that rection (section so of the Act at duced for the first time. It is certainly an exhibitarating way to pass an evening to attend berations. It may possibly be as useless as

. THE ART OF KISSING.

THE Prince Regent has decided that after a as he might have done in the present case, a stamp duty has been levied, financial affairs creditor who held a security such as Mr. Marireadjusted, and a Budget for national expendican does here, would naturally come forward. ture has been made, likin shall be abolished and set up his security; the Court has power to enforce the trustee's " retention " of the busi- for ever. The Government has, therefore, proshortly for a voyage to Hongkong, vin the would confer a jurisdiction "to decide priori- ness, and I think on the ordinary meaning of posed to hold a meeting on the 12th instant to active part in the campaign against opium will be used through the calms of the tropice. - me quite probable that was in the mind of tion of his right to retain possession. What the collection of duties and liking

to learn the art of kissing."

To-dan's Advertisements. PUBLIC AUCTION. THE Undersigned has received instructions to commence the sale of

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"Superintendent, Hongkong, 4th February, 1009.

79B OPIUM CONFERENCE.

INDIAN CRITICISM.

After all we are beginning to know what th International Opium Commission is going to bring about, remarks the Indian Daily News, These international affairs usually result in sight-seeing and champagee drinking -including, in this case we hope; a whiff or two at the opium pipe! What has induced Uncle Sam. to take so leading a part in the new drama is more than we can understand, Is it to remove the Chinese boycott of American goods. which we thought had died a natural death long ago? San Francisco, we know, reeks with opium and is thick with opium dens, But the United States like San Francisco to remain a luridly wicked place so as to provide plenty shocking reading for the daily newspapers. As regards the various sections of the Commission their agenda seems to be fairly long, and if that of the United States delegates be similar to the rest they will deal with the following matters " I. To devise means to limit the use of opium in the possession of this country. 2 To ascertain the best means of suppressing opium traffic, if such now exists among the nationals of this Government in the Far East. 3. To be in a position so that when the Commission meets at Shanghai our representatives may be prepared to co-operate with the representatives of participating Powers and with them to offer definite suggestions of measures which these Governments may adopt

for the gradual suppression of opium cultivation, traffic, and use within-their Eastern possessions, thus assisting China in her purpose of eradicating the evil-from her empire. 4. To be able to inform the whole Commission when it assembles regarding regulations and restrictions in force at present in the delegates! own country, and to formulate and discuss proposals for amending such regulations in points in which they may be found is none of the scamping so usually found at | in the course of the joint investigation, to affect these shows, where an interesting story ends the production, commerce, use and disadvantso abruptly that nobody can make head or ages of opium in the Far East." The British tail of its meaning. The Alexandra films are, delegates are being furnished with instructions as we have said before, clear, steady and life- on similar lines, but it is not known how far this basis has been accepted by the other participating Governments for the guidance of their delegates. We had a Royal Commission on Opium under Lord, Brassey years ago, We-

the Alexandra Cinematograph, if it were only. the findings of the Brassey Committee: A WASHINGTON despatch of January 26 says: -Bishop Charles H. Brent of the Philippine Islands has forwarded to Congress a memorial on the subject of the suppression of the opium traffic. The Bishop urges upon Congress the pocessity of the United States taking a more

trade in Chica,

are now having an international commission i

but we gravely doubt the results of its dell-

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 1st February, until SATURDAY, the 6th, February, 1909, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, 28th January, 1909.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 25th January to the oth February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, W. E. CLARKE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 18th January, 1909.

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A. SHELTON HOOPER. Secretary to the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Ltd. Agents for The Kowloon Land and Building Company, Ltd. Hongkong, 27th January, 1909.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 22nd February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, THOS. J. ROSE,

Secretary. Hongkong, 27th January, 1909.

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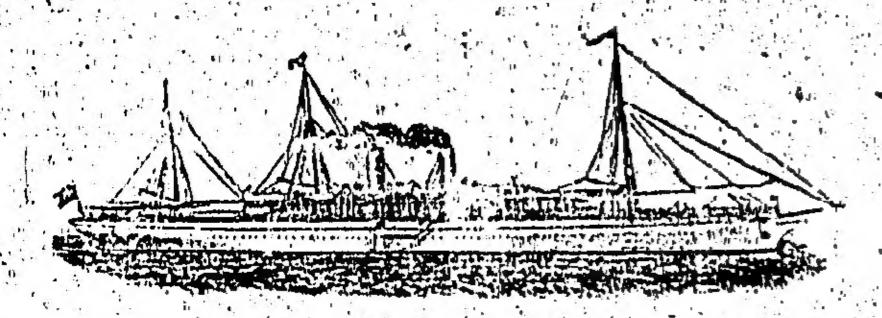
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Calves' Head and Feet-Ngau-challau-keok 51.00 Multon Chop-Young Pai Kwat b Leg-Yeung Pei Shoulder-Young Shau

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POULTRY.

Capons, Large, Small-Sin Kal....... Ducks-Ap Dovos-Pan Kaneach Eggs, Hen-Kai Tan.....per doz

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Phoasant-Shan Kal.....pair \$1.40 Pigeons, Canton-Pak Kup each Holhow-Holhow Pak Kup , Quail-Um-Chun

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FISH.

Barbel-Ka Yu Bream-Bin Yu.... Canton Fresh Water Fish-Hol Bin Yu ... Catfish-Chik Yn Codfish-Mun Yu..... Grabs-Hal Cuttle Fish-Muk Yu Dab-Sa Mang Yu Dace-Wong Mel Lun Dog Fish-Tit Tu Sa Esis, Congor-Hai Man Yu Fresh water-Tam Sul Yu yellow-Wong Sin..... Frogs-Tien Kal Garoupa-Sek Pan Gudgeon-Pak Kup Yu Herrings-Tso Pak Halibut-Cheung Kwan Yu Labrus-Wong Fa Yu.

Loach-Wa Ya...... Lobsters-Lung Ha Mackerel-Chi Yu Monk Fish-Mon Yu Mullot-Chal Yu Oysters-Sang Hoo Parrotfish-Rai Kung Yu Perch-Tau Loo Pike-Fa Paw Poong Plalco-Pan Yu. Pemfret, Black-Hak Chong....... Pomfret, White-Pak Chong...... Prawns-Ming Hammisters Ray-Pol Pa Sa Soumer atopes pos oggestore M. Rock Fish-Sek Kan Kung Roach-Chun Ytt

Salmon, (Cton), front water-Ma Yau

FRUITS.

Almond-Hung Yan Apples, (California)-Kam San Ping

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Skate-Po Yu

Snapper-Lap Yu.....

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Turbot-Cho How Yu

Turtles, small, fresh water-Keok Yu.

White Balt-Ngan Yu Chal

Small-Hoi Tong..... Custard-Fan Lai Chi.....each Bananas, fragrant, Canton-Sang Shong Henng Chiu

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Fresh, Lai Chi Limes, (Saigon)-Sai Kung Ning Moong Mango, Manila-Lui Sung Mong. Mango, Salgon-Sai Kung Moong Mangosteens, San Chuk Tsz per 100

Small—Tai Kutcatty Mandarin-Tim Kut Olives-Pak Lam Passion Fruit each Pears, (American)-Kam San Shut Li D (Canton), Cooking-Sa Li (Shanghai)-Shoung Hot Li

Peanuts,-Fa Sang Persimmons, Large,-Hung Chie Pine-apples, 1st quality-Sheung Poon Ti Paw-law and cooking-Chung-tang Paw-law

Platains-Tai Chiu Plums, Swatow-Hung Lai Pumolo, Slam-Chim Lo Yaueach Walnuts, Hop Ton ... Green-Sang Hop Tou Shanghai Lo Kwat

VEGETABLES, &c.

Artichokes, Shanghal,-Sheung Hot Ah Beans, (French) Macao-Oh Moon Pin Tau Beans, (French), Shanghai-Sheung Ho:

Pin Tat Beans, Sprout-Ah Chol..... Beans, Long-Tau Kok Beet Root-Hung Choi Tau...... each Brinjals, Green-Cheng Yuen Ker Brinjals, Red-Hung Ker Brassica-Pak Chol..... Bamboo Shoots-Ohook Shup · Cabbage, Chinese, com. - Kai Choy..... Cabbage, Red-Kai Lan Taucach Cabbage, (Shanghai)-Yeh Choi , Cane Shoots; bunch-Kau Shun

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Colory, White-Pak Young Kan Choing Chillies, Dried-Con Lat Chiu Red-Hung Fa " -Green-Cheng Lat Chin Curry Stuff, English-Ka Lee Choi Liu-Oucumbers-Cheng Kwa Bitter Squash-Fo Kwa

Garlic,-Suon Tau..... Glager, young-Sun Tax Keung old-Lo Keung Horse Radish, Shanghal-Lik Kan ... B Indian Corn-Suk Malpiece Lettuce-Young Sang Choicach Water Chesnuts-Ma Tai

Mandarin-Kwel Lum Ma Tal Musk Melon Mushrooms, Fresh-Sang Cho Kho..... Onions, Bombay-Yeung Chung Tau, Green-Sang Chung.....

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Shanghal-Shoung Hol Shu Tsal Japan-Yat Poon Shu Taal ... American-Fa K Foochow-Fuk Chau Shu Tsal

Macao-Oh Moon Pumpkin-Toong Kwa Rhubarb Shalots-Con Chung Tau Bolnage (Chinese)-Paw Ohol Spinach-Yin Choi

Tomatoes-Fan Ker..... Taros-Wu Tau Turnips, Pun-ti (Long)-Low Pak Rogilah-Young Low Pak, place Veretable Marrow-Chit Kwa Water Crosses-Sal Young Chol

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Secretary, Sanitary Beard,

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The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, Director of the Hongkong Observatory:-

On the 4th at 11.55 h .- The barometer has fallen rapidly over E Japan owing to the depression which is moving towards N.E. to the South of Hokkaldo.

An anticyclonic area lies over the Yangtze Valley and pressure has increased considerably over the China coast and the Loochons. Strong monsoon will prevail in the Formosa,

Chaupel and the China Sea. " Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

FORECAST. t.-Hongkong, and Neighbourhood, N.E. winds, fresh; fair, cloudy.

2. Formosa Channel, N.E. winds, strong. 3.- South coast of China hetween Hongkong and Lamocks, same as No. 1.

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Arrivale

Fukni Maru, Ing. s.s., 2,560, Midgario 3rd Feb ,-Moji 2 th lan , Coal -M. B. K. Britannin, Br. s.s., 2,378, L. Barcham, 4th Ech., -London 24th Dec. 1008, and Singapore 30th Jan., Mails and Gen .- P. & O S. N.

Dailin Maru, Jap. s.s., 899, Y. Koburaki 4th Feb .- Swatow 3rd Feb, Gen.-O. S. K. Alacrity, Br. desputch-vessel, 700, C. T. K. Fuller, 4th Feb.,-Irom Macao.

Inaba Maru, Jap. 's.s., 3,837, Wm. Bainbridge; 4th Feb.,-Singapore 29th Jan., Gen.-N.

Wakamatsu Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,723, M. Sikawa, 4th Feb.,-Wakamatsu 30th Jan., Coal.-M. B. K.

Wakamiya Maru, Jap. s.s., 4,773, T. Yamawaki, 4th Jan., - Kobe and Moji 30th Jan., Matches and Gen.—N. Y. K.

Pongtong, Ger. s.s., 998, W. Böteführ, 4th Feb. Bangkok 27th Jan., Rice and Wood,-B. & S.

Drufar, Nor. s.s., 1,102, J. Bing, 4th Feb.,-Canton 3rd Feb., Gen.-H. A. L.

Clearances at the Harbour, Office.

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Feb. 4 Tatkos in Maru, for Moji. Telemichus, for Saigon Bujun Maru, for Swatow. Antul, for Canton. Amera, for Canton. E-Sang, for Canton. Wosang, for Crinton. Linan, for Shapphai.

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Per Britannia, for Hongkong from London -- Mr. J. Grant. From Marseilles-Vessrs. A. Temperley, H Philbey R. G. Goodyear, and Rt. Rev. Bishop Price. From Brindisi-Mr. W. Dickson. From Colombo - Messrs. B Walter and Lampminn, From Singapore-Messrs, A. Cheek, G. Morrison, H. Rhoder, R Cahnell, O H. Gnor, T. G Tye, Choon and native servant, L. S. Hong, T. S. Luni, Miss O. Ingall, and 3 Sorters. For Shanghai from Tarang, Br. schooner, 87, Oliver, 7th Dec., London-Mr. A. H. George, Misses E. E. Crouche. L. White, Mrs. Hill, Messrs. E. W. P. Mill. W. A. D. Blackburn, H. W. Gammon, J. C. Hill, N. Fitzmaurice, E. Jones, and. Miss L. Digby. From Marseilles-Messrs. W. Macfarlane and 8. P. Bryant. From Bombay-Vrs. Pinney. From Penang-Mr. McBain and native servant. From Singapore-Messrs. F. Wilher, F. F. Jewell, J. St. Andley and native servant. For Yokohama from Bombay-Mr. Farquharson. From London-Miss Guerney, Messra, R. McP. Austin, A. E. Lofts and native servant. From Marseilles-Rt. Rev. and Miss Boutslower. Mrs. and Miss Landale, Misses Mead and Finlay. From Colombo—Mr. S. D. Pyke's na

"Per Inaba Maru, from Singapore for Hongkong-Col. and Mrs. Prior, Miss Prior, Messis. W. Canning, J. P. Hall, M. Stewart and Nishi For Shanghal-Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Brown, and Mr. D. H. James. For Kobe-Mrs. S Aoyagi, Mrs. D. H. James, Miss R. Osawa, Messrs. B. K. Kuto, T. Nagai and Nakagawa. For Yokohama—Mrs. Y. Inagaki, I. J. G. Secretary and Mrs. Funakoshi, Dr. G. Kumada, Mr. M. Nakagawa, and Miss N. Kurebayashi.

Passengers expected.

Per Prinzess Alice, 11th February,-Messts., H. Kaulmann, F. Ellendt, A. C. Lutz, A. Ahr, E. T. Young, K. Zeddiess, Klein Preuss, Col. and Mrs. K.E. Lean, Mr. and Mrs. Ch. Komaroff, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. van Hoorn, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Guy, Mr. and Mrs. V. Musso, Miss M. Sohos, Dr. R. Recomann, and Rev. G. Grestat.

Per Kleist, 25th February,-Messrs, Robt. Germann, R. Richter, A. Wagner, Mr. and Mrs. Courvosier Gallet, Mrs. Waldhausen, and Major and Mrs. Dann.

Per Buelow, Sth April,-Mr. John Bandow, and Mrs. Caberon.

VERSELS IN PORT.

STEAMERS. Amigo, Ger. s.s., 822, H. Frandson, 3rd Feb., -Haiphong 1st Feb., and Holhow 2nd, Rice and Gen. J. & Co. Bangkok, Ger. s.s., 1,237, F. Nicolaisen, 30th Jan .. - Bangkok 22nd Jan., Rice .- B. & S. Choising, Ger. s.s., 1,020, J. V. Brubn, 24th

Teakwood .- B. & S. Chowfa, Ger. s.s., 1,026, H. C. Reher, 20th Jan.,-Bangkok zist Jan., Rice.-B. & S. Daiya Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,856, K. Kabayashi, 31st Jan. - Wakamatsu 25th Jan., Coal .-

Jan .- Bangkok 14th Jan., Rice, Salt and

Dakotah, Br. s.s., 2,593; Ross, 21st Dec.,-San Francisco 23rd Nov , Kerosine Oil ,-Devawongse, Ger. s.s., 1,058, F. Rehwaldt, 22nd

Jan .- Bangkok 14th Jan ., Rice and Wood. Empress of China, Br. s.s. 3,046, R. Archibald. R.N.R. 22nd Jan .- Vancouver, B.C. 2nd Jan., and Shanghai 19th, Mails and Gen.

Brithiof, Nor. s.s., 891, O. Andersen, 29th Jan., -Pulo Laut 21st Jan., Coal.-Anguard, Thoresen & Co.

Fukura Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,946, S. Kumawaki, 20th Jan .- Moji 24th Jan., Coal .- M. B.

Germania, Ger. s.s., 1,000, H. Flügel, 231d Jan. -- Sydney 10th Dec., Copra. -- S. & Co. Haiching, Br. s.s., 1,167, W. C. Passmore, 3rd Feb., - Foochow jist Jan., Amoy ist Feb., and Swatow and, Gen .- D., L. & Co.

Haitan, Br. s.s., 1,183, J. S. Ronch, 29th Jan.,-Swatow 28th Jan., Gen .- D., L. & Co. Haldis, Nor. s.s., 1,059, Solberg, 31st Jan,-Canton 30th Jan., Ballast, - Auguard, Thoresen & Co.

Hongkong, Fr. s.s., 742, A. Cornelinssen, 3rd Feb. Haiphong and Hoillow and Feb. Gen.-A. R. M. Johanne, Ger. s.s., 952; J. Iwersen, 27th Jan.,

-Saigon 21st Jan., Rice .- J. & Co. Kucichow, Br. 5.5., 1737, G. Hooker, 24th Jan, -Porbolingo 17th Jan, Sugar .- B. & Lightning, Br, s.s., 2,122, A. E. Gentles, 26th

Jan.,-Calcutta via Penang and Singapore 20th Jan., Gen .- D. S. & Co., Ld. Locksup, Ger. s.s., 1,020, W. Taubert, 27th Jan. Bangkok 18th Jan., Rice .- B. & S. Loongsang, Br. s.s., 1,092, S. J. Payne, 1st Feb.,-Manila 29th Jan., Gen.-J., M. &

Loyal, Ger. s.s., 1,237, F. Natzins, 28th Jan. -Bangkok- 17th Jan., Rice, Rice-meal, Timbers and Fish.-S., W. & Co. Mandasan Maru, Jap. s.s., 4,444; K. Shimidzu, 20th Jan .. - Kutchinotzu 15th Jan., Coal .-

M. B. K. Marie, Ger. s.s., 1,169, P. E. Christiansen, 12th Jan,-Rangoon 31st Dec., Ground-nuts .-Mathilda Korner, Ger, s.s., 1,847, M. Dibbern,

. . 3rd Feb.,-Moji 29th Jan., Coal,-1. & Co. Merapi, Dut. s.s., 1,5 17, E. Uldall, 3rd Feb.,-Singapore zoth Jan, bugar.-Chinese. Nanchung, Br. s.s., 1,014, G. I. Spinks, 2nd Feb.,-Iloile 29th Jan., Sugar,-B. & S. Pheumpenh, Br. s.s., 1,066, J. H. Scott, 27th Jan -Saigon 21st Jan, Rice - Wo Fat

Phranang, Ger. s.s., 1,001, Fr. von Mangelsdoiff, 27th Jan.,- Bengkok 18th Jan., Rice and Timber,-B. & S. Prosper, Nor. s.s., 923, R. Larssen, 20th Jan.,
—Ganton 28th Jan., Gen.—H. A. L.

Protector, Dan. 8.84 145, Nielsen, 25th Jan.,-Haiphong 23rd Jan., Ballast.-Aagaard Thoresen & Co.

Quarta, Ger. s.s., 1,146, H. Madsen, 28th Jan. -Patavia 17th Jan. Sugar and Gen.-Rubi, Br. . s.s., 1,619, R. W. Almond, 1st Feb. -Manila 30th Jan., Gen. -S. T. & Co.

Seminole, Br. s.s. 3,705, H. D. Clarke, 281 Jan,-Swatow 27th Jan, Ballast.-S. O Shantung, Ger. 5.5., 1,000, G. Gosewitch, 22n Jan .- Bangkok tath Jan., Rice. - B. & S. Shaohsing, Br. s.s., 1,307, W. McIntosh, 1r Feb. - Shanghai 30th Jan., Gen. - B. & S Shinko Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,605, Seki, 1st Feb.,-. Maji 24th Jan., Coal.-Ataka & Co. Stand ud. Nor. s s., 297, H. Bill; 28th Jan., - Saigon a and Jan., Rice .- Asgaard, Thor

sen & Co. Stettin, Br. s.s., 2,2,6 C. Sangster, 31st Jan., -Foochow 29th Jan , Case Oil -- Mr. Ge Sui, Sang, Br. s.s., 1,776, W. D. Welsh, 16

Jan,-Singapore 8th Jan, and Hoiho 14th, Gen.-J., M. & Co. Taishan, Br. s.s., 1,221, J. T. Laing, 74th Jan -Saigon 19th Jan., Rice -B & Co. Tarlac, Am. s.s., 553, Gastanaga, 27th Jan.,

Manila 20th Jan , Ballast .- Order. Teucer, Br. s.s., 9,018, G. W Parkinson, Feb ,-Shanghai 29th Jani, Gen.-B. & Tjikini, Dut. 5.5., 3,000, H. Kopps, 17th Jan., Macassar 9th Jan., Gen.-J. C. J. L.

Tjimahi, Dut. s.s., 4,500, J. N. Boumann, 2

Feb. -- Amoy 1st Feb., Gen .-- J. C. J. L. SAILING VESTRIS.

Annie E. Smale, Am. 4-masted schr., 809, J. Colstrup, 13th Dec,-Portland, Or. Oct., Lumber .- Mr. Jack."

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Ships Passed The Canal.

22nd December-Braemar, Lylsow, Malla, Slavonta, Ville de la Ciotat, Ghanee, Machaon, Print Ludwig. . 29th December-Invertiyde. Bencleuch, Keemun, Polynesien, Saxonia, Pakling, Kanagawa Mary, Senegambia, Kintuck, Tamba Maru. "1st January-Armand Behic, Nore, Somali, Colombo Maru, Patroclus, 5th January-Norman Prince, Vorwaerts, Wray Cartle, Bengloe, Bombay Maru, Canton, Oapack, Polyhtemus, Langbank, 8th fanuary-Goeben, Indrasamha, Hakata Maru, Inaba Maru, Fring Regent Luispold, Prometheus. thie Rickmers. 21nd January-Bulow, Ning- parcel post, via London. chow, Laerles Printess Alice, Wakasa Maru. Tourane. 26 h January-Sithonia, Glamorganshire, Hitachi Maru, Konane Si. 29th January-Tuder Prince, Ching Wo, Ernest Simons, Moyune, Sicilia. 2nd February-Antilochus, Austria, Benlawers, Indramayo, Diomed, Kalsow, Palma, Scandia.

Arrivals at Home-22nd December-Kamakura Maru. 29th December-Perseus, Austria, Gienlochy, Sambia, Suevia, Tourane, Pekin. 1st January - Machoon, Pring Ludwig. 5th January-Armand Behic, Monmouthshire, Indrant, Kanagawa Maru. 8th January-Kintuck, Shimosa . 15th January-Kennebec, Conton. 19th January-Braemar, Dumben, Oopack, Senegambia, Hakata Maru. 20th January-Somali. 21nd January-Bombay Maru, Gosben, China (Aus.) 26th January-Inversiyde. 1st February-Palermo, 2nd February-Wakasa Maru, Tunkai,

Mncao-Per Sul Tal, 5th Feb., 1.15 P.M. Stoomers Expected. Manila-Por Loongrang, 5th Feb., 3 P.M. Shaughai-Por Hangsang, 5th Feb., 3 P.M. Agunts . Vessels From Hoihow and Haiphong-Per Amigo, 5th hanghai. P. M. Co... Feb Kobe and Yokohama - Per Inaba Maru, 5th Nippon Maru. Manila .. T. K. K. Yeboshi Maru. Singapora N. Y. K Feb Folk, SP. W. Ivo Maru Shanghai... N. Y. K.... Feb Aldenham P. Darwin, G., L & Co. Feb. Feb. io A.M. Luisang Singapore. D. S. & Co Feb. Ischia Singapore . C. & Co. ... Feb. Suizang, 6th Fob., OAM. Mishima Maru Moji N. Y. K. ... Feb. Davanho, 6th Feb., 11 A.M. Tjipanas Batavia ... J. C. J. L... Feb. Tjilatjap Batavia ... J. C. J. L... Feb. Macao-Per Sul Tal, 6th Feb., 1.15 P.M. Prinzess Alics Colombo ... M. & Co ... Feb. 12 China Japan O. & O. Co Feb. 14 Locksum, 6th Feb., 5 P.M. Monteggle Vaucouver C. P. R. Co Feb. 14 Emp. of India. Vancouver C. P. R. Co Feb. 17

DOCK RETURNS. HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCKS.

H.M.S. Whiting Taishan Tarlac Haitan Kwong Yuen...... Choising Empress of China Mines de Batan..... Cosmopolitan ...

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laide, Perth and Fremantle-Per Manila, 25th Feb., 4 P.M. Manila, Zamboanga, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Calms, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth and Fremantle -Per Taiywan, 26th Feb., 3 P.M. Shanghal, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco-Per Nippon Mars, 9th Mara at A.M.

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	Fame	cruiser, and class	4,360	10	7,000	Captain Rowland Nugent	Hongkong
	Flora	torpedo boat destroyer		6.	4,000	Lieut. Commander B. J. D. Guy, v.c	Canton
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. E	stor House Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai) entral Stores, Limited	12,000	\$15 \$15 \$50	2	\$1,000 \$648,9757 \$22,000\$	\$9,178	Interim of \$3 for account 1908	7 %	114 buyers
H	ongkong Land investment and Agency Co., Ld umphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited	150,000	\$100	\$100 • \$10	\$250,000 { \$217.436} { \$50,000}	\$26,475 \$4,621	7c cents for 1907	71-1	\$9 buyers \$33 sollers
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•	Vest Point Building Company, Limited		Ssa	\$50	0000	5 968	Final of \$2 making \$4 for 1908	9 X	
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	Sell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	60,000 50,000			\$25,000	£64 Nil .61,138	\$1.20 of 1907		\$114 buyers
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•	Green Island Cement Company, Limited	400,000	1,-	\$10	512,000	\$5.07	8 Interim of 40 cents for account 1908		-191 sales \$12 buyers.
4.	Hall & Holtz, Limited	60,000				18,95 \$9,32	L SI and bonus 20 cts, for year ending 29.2	FOS 61 %	4-
1	Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	60,000	\$10	P1 -	none	\$8,19	(4th Quarterly div. of Tis, 10 and bonus of	13	\$15} sa. an
	Peak Tramways Company, Limited Peak Tramways Company (new) Philippine Company, Limited Philippine Company, Limited	55,000	" \$10	510 \$1	\$5,000	Tis. 17,12 \$7,47	7 Is, to making \$50 to date	n) 5 %	Tis. 850 sa \$14 \$2
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٠	Shanghai Waterworks Company, Limited	16,350	£2	£2	Tis. 75,000	Tla, 8,49		(4)	Tie 4971's
	South China Morning Post, Limited	20,000	5	5	s none	Dr. \$56.6:	None		\$24 \$54 unlos
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Ageut. Hongkong, 181 February, 1009

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